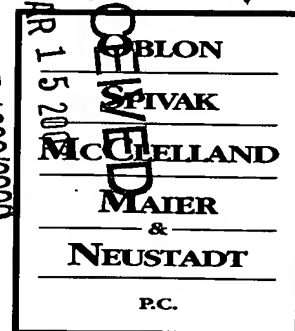




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Applicants: Yasuhiro DOI, et al.
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In advance of prosecution, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Page 16, please delete the paragraph of lines 21-25 of the specification in favor of the following new paragraph.

-- (6) The hair cleansing composition comprising (a) an ether type cationic surfactant represented by the formula (1), (b) at least one surfactant selected from anionic, nonionic and amphoteric surfactants, and a cationic surfactant other than the component (a). --

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend Claim 7 as follows:

--7. (Amended) The hair cleansing composition of Claim 1, which comprises:

(a) an ether type cationic surfactant represented by the formula (1), and

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